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***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

<i>Customer No.</i>	23643	}	
<i>Group:</i>	3754	}	<b><u>SUBMITTED AUGUST 14, 2006</u></b>
<i>Confirmation No.:</i>	5497	}	
<i>Application No.:</i>	10/654,773	}	
<i>Invention:</i>	PIPE BLANKET TO FIT A VARIETY OF PIPE DIAMETERS	}	
<i>Inventor:</i>	Ronald E. Kissell	}	
<i>Filed:</i>	September 4, 2003	}	
<i>Attorney</i>		}	
<i>Docket:</i>	20121-72990	}	
<i>Examiner:</i>	James F. Hook	}	

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**  
**AND PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.